

REMARKS

The Examiner has objected to the specification. Such objections are deemed to be avoided by virtue of the clarifications made hereinabove to the specification. Further, the Examiner purports that explanations of lines 4 and 6 on pages 9-10 have been excluded. Applicant respectfully disagrees. For example, such lines are explicitly mentioned on page 10, lines 11-23.

The Examiner has further objected to the claims. Such objections are deemed to be avoided by virtue of the clarifications made hereinabove to the claims.

The Examiner has further rejected Claims 1-16 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Friedman et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,763,499. Applicant respectfully disagrees with such rejection, especially in view of the amendments made hereinabove. In particular, the subject matter of Claim 7 et al. has been incorporated into each of the independent claims.

The Examiner cites col. 1, line 50 – col. 13, line 4 from Friedman to make a prior art showing of applicant's claimed "placing each end tag on a same line as any data associated therewith located immediately before the end tag" (see each of the independent claims). Further, the Examiner argues that 'Friedman discloses this limitation in that the XML parser, upon encountering a close tag, removes the corresponding element from the element stack; thus, the XML parser places the end tag and any associated data "on the same line."

Applicant respectfully disagrees with this assertion. Even if Friedman were found to suggest that the XML parser, upon encountering a close tag, removes the corresponding element from the element stack, this in no way suggests that the XML parser places the end tag on the same line. Friedman's data structure is shown below.

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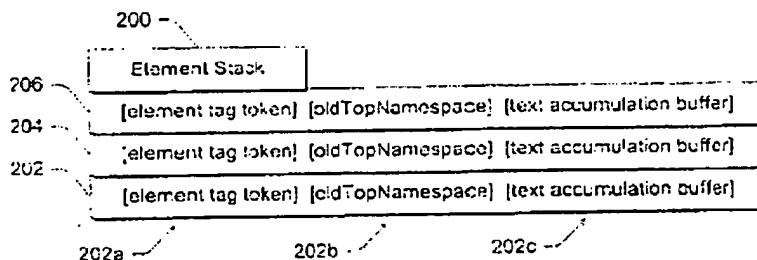


Fig. 5

As is clearly shown, the end tags are clearly absent from the element stack. Thus, there is simply no suggestion of applicant's claimed "placing each end tag on a same line as any data associated therewith located immediately before the end tag." Only applicant teaches a reformatted data structure including an end tag to facilitate processing by script tools.

The Examiner is reminded that a claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described in a single prior art reference. *Verdegal Bros. v. Union Oil Co. Of California*, 814 F.2d 628, 631, 2 USPQ2d 1051, 1053 (Fed. Cir. 1987). Moreover, the identical invention must be shown in as complete detail as contained in the claim. *Richardson v. Suzuki Motor Co.* 868 F.2d 1226, 1236, 9USPQ2d 1913, 1920 (Fed. Cir. 1989). The elements must be arranged as required by the claim.

This criterion has simply not been met by the Friedman reference, especially in view of the amendments made hereinabove. A notice of allowance or a specific prior art showing of the exact claim limitations, in combination with the remaining claim limitations, is thus respectfully requested.

Despite the above obvious shortcomings of the Examiner's proposed combination and in the spirit of expediting the prosecution of the present application, applicant has further amended each of the independent claims to require that "line-based script tools are utilized to process the reformatted code."

Still yet, applicant brings to the Examiner's attention the following additional dependent claims that have been added, which include the following subject matter presented for consideration:

"wherein the line-based script tools include a "grep" command" (see Claim 17);

"wherein a verification operation is performed to verify that each end tag matches an associated beginning tag located at a top of a LIFO tag stack, and to throw an exception, if a result of the verification operation is false" (see Claim 18); and

"wherein a particular line includes an embedded tag that is embedded within another tag, where the representation of the tag structure corresponding to the particular line includes the embedded tag and the other tag, and the embedded tag is located at a top of a LIFO tag stack above the other tag" (see Claim 19).

A notice of allowance or a specific prior art showing of the exact claim limitations, in combination with the remaining claim limitations, is thus respectfully requested.

In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at (408) 505-5100. If any fees are due in connection with the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1351 (Order No. NA11P273/00.146.01).

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